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WITH OBJECT CLASSIFIER IN A VEHICLE HAVING A
COUNTERMEASURE SYSTEM

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Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the art listed and identified on the attached Form PTO-1449B is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of the listed references is included herewith.

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

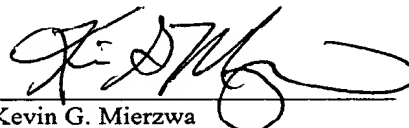
It is Applicant's opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from each of these references. The above references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or

contain matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

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Respectfully submitted,

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